

Frequently Asked Questions: Public Works Board Drinking Water State Revolving Economic Recovery Loan Program

Below you'll find some of the most frequently asked questions from citizens, businesses and agency and non-profit partners (Updated 4/10/09)

Who is eligible for this recovery fund program?

Publicly or privately owned Group A community water systems in the state, except for state or federal water systems. And Group B or individual water systems that meet the special eligibility requirements as described in the DWSRF Economic Recovery guidelines. For more information check the Department of Health's website: http://www.doh.wa.gov/ehp/dw/economic-rec.htm

How much money is available? \$38.4 million

Where, how and when do I apply for the money?

Department of Health (DOH) is managing the application process. The application period is closed. It closed on February 27, 2009. DOH is currently preparing the final ranked loan list.

What is CTED's role in distributing the money?

The DOH will provide a ranked list of economic recovery projects to Public Works Board for approval on April 27, 2009. Applicants with approved projects will be offered contracts following the Board's approval. Public Works Board Division staff will execute contracts with successful applicants. Once contracts are executed, borrowers will work with both the Local Government Division's Contract Administration Unit (C.A.U.) and the Department of Health staff. Borrowers will send invoice vouchers to the C.A.U. for processing. C.A.U. will coordinate with Department of Health to ensure loan draws are approved for payment.

Are there any other rules I need to know about?

If you already applied for this funding, you will be notified by the Department of Health as to the status of your application.

What are the deadlines for obligating or expending these funds?

The deadline for obligating funds and beginning construction is February 2010.

What are the economic recovery requirements?

The DWSRF economic recovery contracts will require borrowers to meet Prevailing Wage laws (to include Davis Bacon), and ensure that all iron, steel and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States.

Q. I still have questions. Who do I contact to get more information?

A. Contact Leslie Hafford at leslie.hafford@pwb.wa.gov or call (360) 725-3161